Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims below will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this Application.

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A method of ~~creating~~ assembling a media file for playing in an electronic device, comprising:

receiving a first data file ~~portion of the media file~~ with the electronic device from a first computing device via a first communication channel as a result of commands initiated from a media client of the electronic device, wherein the first data file ~~portion lacks at least one non-header portion~~ comprises the media file lacking at least one portion from each of a plurality of locations within the media file and is unusable as a media file;

receiving a ~~plurality of second file portions of the media file~~ second data file with the electronic device from a second computing device via a second communication channel as a result of commands initiated from the media client, wherein the ~~plurality of second file portions are~~ second data file comprises said at least one portion lacking from each of said plurality of locations within the media file and is unusable as a media file ~~and the media client initiates commands resulting in said receiving of the plurality of second file portions without reference to the content of the first file portion to identify the second computing device~~; and

creating with the media client the media file in the electronic device from the first data file ~~portion~~ and the second data file ~~at least one of the plurality of second file portions~~.

Claim 2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said receiving ~~of a plurality of~~ a second data file ~~portions of the media file~~ further comprises:

connecting a wireless transceiver on the electronic device to the second computing device via the second communication channel to enable the media client to receive the second data file ~~portion~~, wherein the second communication channel is a wireless communication channel; and

disconnecting the transceiver on the electronic device from the second communication channel to disconnect from the second computing device, once ~~one of the plurality of~~ said second data file ~~portions~~ has been received.

Claim 3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

storing the created media file in a memory in the electronic device;

playing the media file on the electronic device using the media client; and

using the media client to make the memory in which a least a portion of the media file is stored available for re-use once at least a portion of the media file has been played.

Claim 4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the first computing device is a client computer, the first communication channel is a connection coupling the electronic device with the client computer, and the method further comprising:

receiving the first data file ~~portion~~ into the electronic device from the client computer via the first communication channel and the media client; and

storing the first data file ~~portion~~ on the electronic device.

Claim 5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4 wherein the connection is provided by at least one of a docking station or a synch cradle associated with the client computer and the electronic device.

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the first computing device is a media file repository, the first communication channel is a wireless connection coupling a transceiver on the electronic device with a transceiver associated with the media file repository, the method further comprising:

transmitting to the media file repository by the media client, a request for transfer of the first data file ~~portion~~;

the media client terminating the first communication channel once the first data file ~~portion~~ has been received on the electronic device.

Claim 7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein creating the media file by the media client comprises:

examining by the media client sequencing information in ~~one of the plurality of~~ said second data file ~~portions~~ that describes where elements ~~of the one of the plurality~~ of said second data file ~~portions~~ should be placed within the first data file ~~portion~~ to create the media file.

Claim 8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein the first data file ~~portion~~ is encrypted, and the method further comprising:

the media client obtaining at least one decryption key from ~~one of the plurality of~~ said second data file ~~portions~~; and

decrypting the first data file ~~portion~~ using the decryption key obtained from ~~the one of the plurality of~~ said second data file ~~portions~~.

Claim 9. (Currently Amended) A method for preparing a media ~~data~~ file for transmission to an electronic device, comprising:

creating a first data file comprising the media file lacking at least one element from each of a plurality of locations within the media file ~~portion of the media file by removing elements from the media file~~; ~~and~~

creating a second data file comprising said at least one element lacking from each of said plurality of locations within the media file ~~a plurality of second file portions of the media file from the elements removed from the media file, wherein a location to retrieve the plurality of second file portions is not included as a part of the first file portion~~;

storing the first data file ~~portion~~ in a first data repository accessible to a media client of the electronic device via a first communication channel; and

storing the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ in a second data repository accessible to the media client of the electronic device via a second communication channel ~~for the media client to retrieve the plurality of second file portions independent of the content of the first file portion~~.

Claim 10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, further comprising:

placing sequencing information in the plurality of second data file ~~portions~~ that provides information to the media client on where the elements removed from the media file should be placed in the first data file ~~portion~~ to reproduce the media file.

Claim 11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10, further comprising:

encrypting the first data file ~~portion~~ using a key; and

placing the key in ~~the plurality of~~ said second data file ~~portions~~.

Claim 12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, further comprising:

transmitting the first data file ~~portion~~ to a client computer configured to transmit the first data file ~~portion~~ to the electronic device via the media client

Claim 13. (Cancelled)

Claim 14. (Previously presented) The method of claim 9 wherein the second data repository is included within the first data repository.

Claim 15. (Currently Amended) An electronic device comprising:

a media client configured to request a first data file ~~portion of a media file~~ from a client computing device, and configured to assemble ~~the~~ a media file using the first data file ~~portion~~ and a ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions of the media file~~ obtained from another computing device, wherein the first and second data files ~~file portions~~ are each unusable as media files, ~~and the media client obtains the plurality of second file portions without reference to the content of the first file portion to identify the other computing device~~; and

a first transceiver configured to receive the ~~one of the plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ over a wireless communication channel and via the media client.

Claim 16. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 15 wherein the media client is further configured to disconnect the transceiver from the wireless communication channel once the ~~one of the plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ has been received.

Claim 17. (Previously presented) The electronic device of claim 15 wherein the media client is further configured to play the media file and delete the media file from the electronic device once it has been played.

Claim 18. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 15 wherein the media client is further configured to examine sequencing information in the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ that describes where elements of the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ should be placed within the first data file ~~portion~~ to assemble the media file.

Claim 19. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 15 wherein the media client is further configured to decrypt the first data file ~~portion~~ using a decryption key obtained from ~~the one of the plurality of~~ the second data file ~~portions~~.

Claim 20. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 15 wherein media client is further configured to receive the first data file ~~portion~~ from the client computer and store the first data file ~~portion~~ in a memory on the electronic device.

Claim 21. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 15 wherein the media client is further configured to request the first data file ~~portion~~ from a data repository over a wireless communication channel, the device further comprising:

a second transceiver configured to receive the first data file ~~portion~~ over the wireless communication channel.

Claim 22. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 21 wherein the media client is further configured to terminate the transceiver's connection to the wireless communication channel following reception of the first data file ~~portion~~.

Claim 23. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 15, further comprising a memory for storing the first data file ~~portion~~.

Claim 24. (Previously presented) The electronic device of claim 23 wherein the memory is configured to be removable from the electronic device.

Claim 25. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 23 wherein the memory is further configured to store the ~~one of the plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~.

Claim 26. (Currently Amended) A media playback device, comprising:

a first reception means for receiving a first data file ~~portion of a media file~~ over a first communications channel, wherein the first data file ~~portion lacks at least one non-header portion~~ comprises a media file lacking at least one element from each of a plurality of locations within the media file and is unusable as a media file;

a second reception means for receiving a second data file comprising said at least one element lacking from each of said plurality of locations within the media file ~~plurality of~~

~~second file portions of the media file~~ over a second communications channel, wherein the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ is unusable as a media file~~, and the second reception means initiates said receiving of the plurality of second file portions independent of content of the first file portion~~; and

a media assembly means for assembling the media file from the first data file ~~portion~~ and the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~.

Claim 27. (Currently Amended) The media playback device of claim 26 wherein the second communications channel is a wireless communications channel, the device further comprising:

a power saving means configured to disconnect the second reception means from the second communications channel once the second data file ~~portion~~ has been received.

Claim 28. (Original) The media playback device of claim 26, further comprising:

a playback means for playing the media file.

Claim 29. (Original) The media playback device of claim 28 wherein the playback means is further configured to delete the media file as it is played.

Claim 30. (Currently Amended) The media playback device of claim 26 wherein the media assembly means is configured to assemble the media file using sequencing instructions in the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~.

Claim 31. (Currently Amended) The media playback device of claim 30 wherein the sequencing instructions describe where to find information in the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ that should be placed in the first data file ~~portion~~ to assemble the media file, the media playback device further configured to locate the information and place the information in the first data file ~~portion~~.

Claim 32. (Previously Presented) A media server for transmitting a media file to an electronic device, comprising:

means for creating a first data file comprising the media file lacking at least one element from each of a plurality of locations within the media file ~~portion of the media file~~

~~by removing elements from the media file~~, wherein the first data file ~~portion lacks at least one non-header portion and~~ is unusable as a media file; and

means for creating a second data file comprising said at least one element lacking from each of said plurality of locations within the media file ~~plurality of second file portions of the media file from the elements removed from the media file~~, wherein the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ is unusable as a media file ~~and a location for obtaining the plurality of second file portions is not included as part of the first file portion~~;

means for storing the first data file ~~portion~~ in a first data repository accessible to a media playback means of the electronic device via a first communication channel; and

means for storing the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ in a second data repository accessible to the media playback means of the electronic device via a second communication channel~~, for the media playback means to retrieve the plurality of second file portions independent of the content of the first file portion~~.

Claim 33. (Currently Amended) The media server of claim 32, further comprising:

means for placing sequencing information in the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ that provides information on where the elements removed from the media file should be placed in the first data file ~~portion~~ to reproduce the media file.

Claim 34. (Currently Amended) The media server of claim 33, further comprising:

means for encrypting the first data file ~~portion~~ using a key; and

means for placing the key in the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~.

Claim 35. (Currently Amended) The media server of claim 32, further comprising:

means for transmitting the first data file ~~portion~~ to a client computer configured to transmit the first data file ~~portion~~ to the electronic device.

Claim 36. (Previously presented) The media server of claim 32, further comprising:

a transceiver configured to transmit the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ to the electronic device.

Claim 37. (Cancelled)

Claim 38. (Previously Presented) The media server of claim 32 wherein the second data repository is included within the first data repository.

Claim 39. (Currently Amended) A media client for processing a media file on an electronic device, comprising:

a first file manager configured to request a first data file ~~portion of the media file~~ over a first communications channel, wherein the first data file comprises the media file lacking at least one portion from each of a plurality of locations within the media file ~~portion lacks at least one non-header portion~~ and is unusable as a media file;

a second file manager configured to request a ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions of the media file~~ over a second communications channel, wherein the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ comprises said at least one portion lacking from each of said plurality of locations within the media file is unusable as a media file~~, and the second file manager requests the plurality of second file portions independent of the content of the first file portion~~; and

a media file reconstructor configured to reconstruct ~~a~~ the media file from the first data file ~~portion~~ and the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~.

Claim 40. (Original) The media client of claim 39, further comprising:

a media file player configured to perform the media file reconstructed by the media file reconstructor.

Claim 41. (Original) The media client of claim 40 wherein the media file reconstructor is further configured to reconstruct the media file in media file sections and provide each reconstructed media file section to the media file player and wherein the media file player is further configured to delete media file sections once they are played.

Claim 42. (Currently Amended) The media client of claim 39, further comprising:

a transceiver controller configured to instruct a transceiver to disconnect from the second communications channel upon receipt of ~~one of the plurality of~~ the second data file ~~portions~~.

Claim 43. (Currently Amended) The media client of claim 39 wherein the media file reconstructor is further configured to examine the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ to locate sequencing data and wherein the media file reconstructor is further configured to use the sequencing data to locate data in from the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ and add the data to the first data file ~~portion~~ to reconstruct the media file.

Claim 44. (Currently Amended) The media client of claim 39 wherein the media file reconstructor is further configured to examine the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ to locate a decryption key and wherein the media file reconstructor is further configured to use the decryption key to decrypt the first data file ~~portion~~ to obtain the media file.

Claim 45. (Currently Amended) The media client of claim 39 wherein the first communications channel is a connection between the electronic device and a client computer and wherein the first file manager is further configured to send a request over the first communications channel requesting transmission of the first data file ~~portion~~.

Claim 46. (Currently Amended) The media client of claim 39 wherein the first communications channel is a wireless connection between the electronic device and a media server and wherein the first file manager is further configured to send a request over the first communications channel requesting transmission of the first data file ~~portion~~.

Claim 47. (Currently Amended) The media client of claim 39 wherein the first communications channel is a wireless connection between the electronic device and another portable electronic device and wherein the first file manager is further configured to send a request over the first communications channel requesting transmission of the first data file ~~portion~~.

Claim 48. (Currently Amended) The media client of claim 39 wherein first file manager is further configured to store the first data file ~~portion~~ in a memory on the portable electronic device.

Claim 49. (Currently Amended) The media client of claim 39 wherein the first file manager is further configured to examine a memory on the portable electronic device for at least one first data file ~~portion~~ upon receipt of a request for at least one media file.

Claim 50. (Currently Amended) The media client of claim 39 wherein the second communications channel is a wireless connection between the portable electronic device and a media server and wherein the second file manger is further configured to send a request over the second communications channel requesting transmission of the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~.

Claim 51. (Currently Amended) A computer program product for use in connection with a server to provide a electronic device with a media file for execution by a media client associated with the electronic device, the server including a memory configured to store the computer program product, the computer program product comprising:

first instructions adapted to create a first data file comprising the media file lacking at least one element from each of a plurality of locations within the media file ~~portion of the media file by removing a plurality of data elements from the media file~~, rendering the first data file ~~portion~~ unusable as a media file; and

second instructions to create a second data file comprising said at least one element lacking from each of said plurality of locations within the media file ~~plurality of second file portions of the media file containing the plurality of data elements removed from the media file~~, and sequencing information that explains where the plurality of lacking data elements ~~removed~~ should be placed in the first data file ~~portion~~ to reproduce the media file~~, and the first file portion does not include a location where the second file portion can be retrieved~~;

third instructions to store the first data file ~~portion~~ in a first data repository accessible to a media client of the electronic device via a first communication channel; and

fourth instructions to store the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ in a second data repository accessible to the media client via a second communication channel ~~for the media client retrieve the plurality of second file portions independent of the content of the first file portion~~.

Claim 52. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 51 wherein the computer program product further comprising instructions to encrypt the first data file ~~portion~~ and placement of a decryption key for decrypting the first data file ~~portion~~ in the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~.

Claim 53. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium containing instructions for controlling an electronic device to play a media file when executing the instructions, the computer-readable medium instructions comprising:

first instructions to receive a first data file ~~portion of the media file~~ in the electronic device from a first computing device via a first communication channel, wherein the first data file ~~portion~~ comprises the media file lacking at least one portion from each of a plurality of locations within the media file ~~lacks at least one non-header portion~~ and is unusable as a media file;

second instructions to receive a ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions of the media file~~ in the electronic device from a second computing device via a second communication channel, wherein the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ comprises said at least one portion lacking from each of said plurality of locations within the media file is unusable as a media file~~, and the second instructions retrieve the plurality of second file portions without reference to the content of the first file portion to identify the second computing device~~; and

third instructions to create the media file in the electronic device from the first data file ~~portion~~ and the ~~plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~.

Claim 54. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable medium of claim 53 wherein the second instructions comprise:

instructions to connect a wireless transceiver on the electronic device to the second communication channel to receive ~~one of the plurality of~~ the second data file ~~portions~~, wherein the second communication channel is a wireless communication channel; and

instructions to disconnect the transceiver on the electronic device from the second communication channel once the ~~one of the plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ has been received.

Claim 55. (Previously presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 53, the computer-readable medium instructions further comprising:

fourth instructions to play the media file on the electronic device; and

fifth instructions to delete the media file once it has been played.

Claim 56. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable medium of claim 53 wherein the first instructions are adapted to

receive the first data file ~~portion~~ in the electronic device from a client computer, the client computer being the first computing device; and

store the first data file ~~portion~~ on the electronic device.

Claim 57. (Previously presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 56 wherein the connection is provided by at least one of a docking station or a synch cradle associated with the client computer and the electronic device.

Claim 58. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable medium of claim 53 wherein the first instructions are adapted to

transmit to a media file repository a request for transfer of the first data file ~~portion~~; and

terminate the first communication channel once the first data file ~~portion~~ has been received on the electronic device.

Claim 59. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable medium of claim 53 wherein third instructions are adapted to

examine sequencing information in the ~~one of the plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ that describes where elements of the ~~one of the plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~ should be placed within the first data file ~~portion~~ to create the media file.

Claim 60. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable medium of claim 59, the computer-readable medium instructions further comprising:

fourth instructions to obtain a decryption key from the ~~one of the plurality of~~ second data file ~~portions~~, and decrypt a portion of the first data file ~~portion~~ using the obtained decryption key.